HEAVEN HATH PEACE.

You ask me, dear, to sing a tender tay-In which shall come no sorrow and no pain; You wish to have the glad sun shine all day; You like not sullen clouds, nor falling rain.

You long to hear the blithesome, happy birds Singing their roundelays from dawn to night, You wish to hear no harsh, no cruel words; You only seek for what is pure and bright.

What joy to see the crimson blossoms swell, And not one wither, all the summers through! What happiness 'twould be for me to tell Earth's sweetest story 'neath the stars to

I fain would grant thy wish, dear love of mine, And tune my rustic lyre to suit the strain. I touch the strings. My touch is not divine, And through the melody a sob of pain

Lingers like twilight, at the set of sun: And while I pray, the cold winds hurry by, All the sweet singing of the birds is done, And sha lows flit across the darkening sky.

So into every life there cometh pain, Else earth would be too sweet for mortal

given: And near to every heart, hath sorrow lain;

'Tis sorrow purifieth souls for Heaven.

As through a glass each one doth darkly see We strive in vain to read the changeful At last the vail is drawn. Eternity

Unfolds its mysteries to our wakening ever In Heaven shall be no sorrow and no pain;

Its own glad song shall each heart sing al Affection's purest joys supreme shall reigh, And flowers immortal bloom, in endless day

And kindred souls unfettered, shall, confessed In hallowed recognition meet and blend, And weary hearts shall find a balm and rest In sweet repose and peaceful, without end.

Ah, who can sing a sweeter song than this? What soul diviner harmonies can know Than promise of supreme and hallowed bliss In that fair land, to which earth's traveler go?
—Laura A. Gaige, in Woman's Journal.

AN AMUSING AFFAIR.

How a Complication in Love Finally Ended Happily,

One November evening in the year 18the weather being moist, sleet falling fast, and the streets sloppy and dreary, a young man was strolling in the city of Strasburg, under the Grandes Arcades; and two or three dim gas-lamps, intended to light the old and obscure passage, were scarcely sufficient to enable belated wanders to see farther than five or six yards before them. The young man walked with unsteady gait, and his manner indicated that he was in a decidedly bad humor. He did not observe that another person was advancing from the opposite direction until they both paused suddenly in front of each other.

The gentleman who thus unexpectedly disturbed the cogitations of the nocturnal and absent-minded promenader was the

"Sir," said he, in English, with an American accent, "will you oblige by in- | in the end." forming me how to say the words 'For ever' in German?" "'Auf immer,' sir," replied the young

man promptly, as, luckily, he understood something of English. "Oh, thank you, sir!" replied the other.

Then resuming his way, he repeated aloud, "'Auf immer!' Ah, yes-Auf As he proceeded he took from his thick overcoat a pocket-book, and stopping for

an instant, wrote on a page the words "Auf immer;" after which he replaced the book and continued his route, repeating his newly-acquired German phrase to "Auf immer!" repeated the other young

man to himself. "Auf immer! What in the world can he want to know that for, at half-past eight o'clock at night? Perhaps I have been assisting him to make love to some pretty Alsacian maiden who is not a proficient in any language but her own. A declaration of love-eh? Plague take love, and the women, too!"

That a young fellow of twenty-five should so express himself as to love and women seemed puzzling; but so it was. This young Strasburgian, Augustus Weiss, sincerely believed in neither the one nor the other. He had made his first essay, some time before, in a very pretty romance which had failed of a successful issue, through the timidity of the young lady concerned.

As he reviewed the details of his past picked it up and continued paved with cobble-stones, in lerrn German!" others asphalted, and in many parts strewn with the remains of materials that had served to cover the floors of the ever' translated into German!" Arcades. At length the snow abated; and the young man's progress became easier as he hastened onward to his home in the Rue Merciere. In passing, however, he ever!' did not fail to cast a glance, strongly expressive of both anger and regret, at one of the first houses in the Rue des Serruriers. After entering his room he set about examining the prize he had found. The pocket-book was a new one, and contained a number of bank-notes; but there was neither letter nor card to in-

dicate the name of the owner. The next morning, before going to the office in which he was employed, Weiss proceeded to the advertising department of a local newspaper, and informed the that language." clerk that he was desirous of announcing in its columns the godsend he had found in the street.

"I am sorry," said the manager, "to lose at one time two advertisements; but doubtless this is the owner of the pocketbook"-pointing to a man who stood close

The person indicated, who had arrived a few moments prior to Weiss, was asking the charge for an insertion of the particulars respecting his lost preperty. He was a man or about thirty, with florid complexion, and eyes and hair of dark brown hue. Weiss held out the pocketbook to him. "I am very pleased, sir," he said, "to

be able to restore your property to you." "The pocket-book is mine, sir," replied the stranger; "and yet I scarcely know how to convince you of the fact. Pray where did you find it?"

"Under the Grandes Arcades."

"Yes, about that time." me how to say the words 'For ever-Auf German, and we can talk over our affairs in

"Really, I do not recognize you again,

book for the purpose of writing down the verb to love, but those terrible adthose tiresome words. It was fearfully verbs floor me completely. How do you cold, and I hastily returned the book, as render the word 'everlastingly?' " I thought, to my pocket; but instead of doing so, I must have placed it between it fell to the ground. But, as neither of his shoulders. "And to think that I am fused any other suitor but the one chosen about the art of photography. All

"With pleasure," replied Weiss; and that she could induce me to learn Chi-

"Mr. Maurice Carroll of New York" said the elder man, by the way of self-

"Mr. Augustus Weiss," returned the ther, in a similar manner. Five minutes later the two young men ere seated in the apartment of Mr. Car-

"Let us see, Mr. Weiss," commenced Carroll; "you are an honest fellow, and have rendered me a service. What can I lo for you in return?"

"Oh, I really don't know!"
'Tut, tut, tut! There is always some thing on a man's mind, or one thing or another that he wants, particularly at your age; and, if I can be useful to you"-"I have something on my mind, certainly; but, my dear sir, you could not lo any thing to aid me there." "Nevertheless"

"No; the best wishes are powerlesel "Then it is a love affair!" "Yes." "Ah, well, tell me about it!"

"What earthly good would that do? Your sympathy would be valueless in the matter." "Tell me, all the same. In the first

place, I will pledge myself to profound secresy. I will not ask you for name, address, or any question that borders or the inquisitive. Tell me only the outlines of your story, and then-who knows? Confidence for confidence; I also have a love affair in Strasburg although I have resided here only a few weeks. Now make your candid confession. You are in love?"

"Ah, well, yes!" "Is she pretty?"

"Adorable, good and intelligent—in short, a marvel!" "Brunette or blonde?"

"Blonde, with very dark blue eyes." "Like my young lady. Good! I oberve we have similar tastes. And does

she love you?" "She tells me so, and I believe it." "Continue."

"All was going on very well. I am clerk to a solicitor, and have saved a little money, which, if added to an ordinary dowry, would enable me to purchase a country practice-our ambition was not very great-and at the present moment there is just such a practice to be disposed of at Brumath. I know the owner, and he has offered it to me on very advantageous conditions; but the father of my intended has recently turned completely round in his manner towards me. I was formerly admitted to the house, and all appeared to receive me with smiles. About three weeks since, without my knowing any thing of the why or the wherefore, he changed his mind about the matter. I was all but accepted; but now he thinks that my position is too humble, and for the last eight days I have been refused admission to his house, and have been given to understand that the reputation of his daughter may be en-

dangered by my visits." "And the young lady?" "I see her all the same; we meet at the house of a friend. I proposed that we should cut the affair short, and elope; but she preaches patience, and wishes me to wait awhile. It drives me almost out of

my senses. 'I also am somewhat unsettled in my mind just at present." "Like me?"

"Why, no! It is absolutely the contrary -except that it is exactly, the same thing

"Let us have it; it is your turn now." "With regard to myself, it is not money that is wanting, as you see, nor the consent of the father; but it is the daughter herself who hasn't yet convinced me that I have made the impression on her heart which I desire to do. What I mean is, that at times she is very capricious and has such droll ideas! It is now a month since I arrived here from New York. I came to take possession of some property in this town, an aunt of mine having left me twenty-five thousand dollars or thereabouts-I don't know exactly how muchbesides house-property and land let on leases that are yet unexpired, mortgages, loans, and a heap of other matters, very good investments, but very much muddled, so that it will require some time here to put things straight. Business caused me to become acquainted with a good man who has a daughter-oh, such an enchanting girl, with a pretty Alsacian accent! I beg your pardon for the digression. She is the blonds with blue eyes of whom I have already spoken to you -a girl who can look you through and through when she likes. I fell in love at first sight; in short, I forgot all about money, mortgages and securities, and was desperately smitten. I just gave a hint of my feelings to the father, who seemed to have guessed all about it beforehand. Very well; he accepted me most readily, and I am instaled as her lover. Yes, that is a certainty; but I mischance Weiss arrived at the end of don't make any progress with my suit. I the Arcades. The sleet had deepened into don't exactly know how I stand with resnow, and he was quickening his pace to gard to her affections-she has so many

descend the passage steps, when his foot new ideas and caprices. For instance, struck against something which the flick- she absolutely insists that her husband ering light of a gas-lamp enabled him to shall understand German. She pretends perceive was a pocket-book. He that it is essential in a household, as you his can say all that you wish to say, before way as best he could over the the servants, without their understanding uneven ground, which was in some what you are talking about. So I have to

> wanted vesterday evening the words 'For "Exactly. I was about to call on the good man, and I wished to say in German to his daughter: 'I shall love you for

"Oh, oh !- that explains to me why you

"Perfectly-thanks to you. She appeared to be delighted with my progress, and at the same time looked wonderfully handsome."

"Did you say it to her?"

"Well, then of what have you to complain? "I fear her compliance with her father's wishes will not continue." "You must have courage; besides, we

can see each other and talk things overin German, if you have a desire to acquire "I wish it above all things, and am

deeply obliged by your kindness, for, though I might have engaged a very accomplished teacher, still he was an elderly man to whom I could not express myself confidentially, as I am able to do to you. You see," continued Carroll, "there is no false delicacy about me. You have rendered me an important service, and I am your debtor. How much money will be wanted for the purchase of the practice of which you spoke? Where did you say the place was?"

"Brumath." "It is not the name of the place that I care for-that is of no consequence to me; but I will advance you the amount in ready cash, if you will allow me." "I really den't know how I could lay myself under so great an obligation."

"This is absurd! You understand I owe you a requital for your honesty. Now, you see, it is all arranged. Get your con-"Yesterday evening, at about half-past veyance documents prepared as early as you please. On the day after to-morrow "Then you are the man who kindly told | the evening; you can give me a lesson in a quiet way, as we have already done, By the by, before we part, I wish to tell her this evening that I shall love her "Ah, yes! I had taken out my pocket- everlastingly. I know how to conjugate

"Ewiglich," replied Weiss. "Right-ewiglich! My stars! what a was very headstrong; it was not left for language!" Carroll added, as he shrugged him to determine—she had bluntly retinued the stranger, "will you not come | what would I not do? When she looks at me with her large blue eyes, I believe

us has any further business here," con- to spend my time in learning it! But by herself." the two young men lett the office tonese. On the day after to-morrow, father round her finger, and at a moment gether.

And the two young men parted.

On the day appointed, the next day, and for eight days following, the two new friends met regularly, and the young Alsacian gave the American lessons, not in German, but that which is almost the thing, the patois of Strasburg; and their conversation generally commenced in the following style:

"Well, my good friend," Carroll would say, "how does the love-affair go on? Do things appear to you to be more satisfac-

"Not at all," Weiss would reply. "I his house."

have heard indirectly that the father will not permit my name to be mentioned in "What! not since you have purchased

the country practice?" "He has not yet mentioned the subject, so far as I can learn; he appears to have other views of a more ambitious character. I hear that he has found a Crossus for a son-in-law." "Have patience, my friend, have pa-

tience! You have the daughter on your side, and I am here to assist you." "Thanks! And what progress are you making, may I ask?" "Oh, capital progress, thanks to you! I am going ahead step by step."

"So much the better." "Your turn will come. If you have no objection, we will both be married on the same day, and I will defray the cost of the two weddings."

"I am sadly afraid that mine will not cost much." "Don't despair. 'Faint heart ne'er won fair lady." After these confidences, they went to work at the Strasburgian pators with a will that did credit to both teacher and

On the day of the twelfth lesson, Weiss came with a face radiant with delight, while Carroll appeared to him to look somewhat glum and crestfallen.

"Well," said Carroll, "how are you getting on?" "Oh," replied Weiss, "things are improving! I have seen her, and have had a talk with her, and she has given me great hope. She has done a great deal, and insisted on so much that her father seems inclined to give way; and, as soon as I am fairly launched in my office-"

"All in good time, my friend." "How about yourself?" inquired Weiss. "Things are not looking at all bright

for me," was the reply. "I am extremely sorry to hear that; we should have been so very jolly all together."

"No; it is very annoying. My sweetheart has such whimsical ideas. It is not a question of speaking German now; she has made up her mind not to leave Strasburg." "Why?" "That is the question. Between our-

selves, I believe that it is only a pretense to get rid of me, knowing, as she does know well, that my interests make it imperative that I should reside in America. It is a pure invention." "Oh, don't be discouraged in that way!

Handsome women are sometimes very capricious, and you have told me that she is very pretty.' "As for that, she is enough to turn a man's brain."

"Have courage then. I am going to will cause her to laugh more than ever, things." and her whimsical notions will disap-"Exactly so; but all these changes and

uncertainties greatly interfere with my other affairs. I am busily engaged in looking after my newly-acquired property; but were I to remain in Strasburg, I should not be able to make the best of my property elsewhere."

"Let the property stand over for a time, and persevere with the lady you wish to make your wife. Later on you will still be master of what you possess, and then you can reside where you

"That you believe to be best? Let it be so then!"

And once more they resumed the lessons in Strasburg patois. Some days afterward the aspect of affairs was again changed; it was Carroll who came in a joyous mood, while Weiss was evidently overburdened with

"Aha!" cried Carroll, "you have done quite right in encouraging me to press my suit vigorously! All is very much altered; she is now willing to go where I choose, and has no longer any desire that I should make myself proficient in Ger-

man. How are you progressing?" "I have no good news to tell you. The father is decidedly too ambitious to secure his daughter's happiness. I have boldly communicated with him that I am the owner of a practice. A solicitor's practice is not sufficient for him. My poor girl is sadly grieved; the dear creature has tried her utmost to persuade him, but never before has he shown such de-

termination." "What does he mean? That the practice you have purchased is not sufficiently large? Ah, well, my friend, we will try to reckon with the covetous old among the laws passed by the Legiswretch! This is what I have resolved on. As we shall not reside at Strasburg, I shall not be able to attend personally to the property to which I have succeeded, nor shall I have time to conduct the sale of it myself; it will consequently be necessary to employ a representative here to watch over my interests, one in whom I could place every confidence, and in whose hands I could safely leave all my affairs. Now, you are evidently an honest man-I have proved you to be so, have I not? Very well; I will appoint you my agent at a salary of fifteen hundred dollars a year, independent of the solicitor's practice altogether, which will remain as we originally intended it. Now, don't you think that this arrangement will

make the stingy old fellow alter his "I hope it will." "If the daughter really loves you and desires to become your wife, most certainly she will win her father over to her

way of thinking." "Oh, I am satisfied that she loves me sincerely! She has made me promise to be patient, and she has pledged herself

finally to agree to all my proposals." "So much the better. I thank you very much for the lessons, for which I have no longer any occasion; besides, I am very much engaged. I have some purchases to make-presents, in fact, for the wedding-so we will meet again this day week, when I trust you will be the bearer of better news."

One week afterward, the American and the Alsacian met again. Weiss' eyes sparkled with pleasure; indeed, he looked perfectly contented and happy. So pleased was he that he did not notice the troubled look of his friend. "Ah, here you are!" saik the latter, in a

depressed tone of voice. His sorrowful accent struck Weiss. "What is the matter?" asked he. "The matter is that my love-affair has -the spell is broken."

come about." 'I myself can scarce it happened. First of all, the daughter received me very coldly; then the father, in a roundabout and confused kind of way, informed me that it had been decided to decline my offer of marriage-there was another lover in the field—the damsel

"It is a piece of rank stupidity!" "At any rate, it is a piece of stupidity finally decided on. She has twisted her when I believed all was settled and I had | made.

commenced to purchase the jewelry. See!

piece of workmanship."
"It seems like a fatality," remarked Weiss, "After what you have said, I in China. hardly like to tell you of the happy turn which my suit has taken. Thanks to you and the advantages which you have placed in my way, the father has consented. I have to see him to-day at his

own house-in short, the door is no longer closed against me." "Ah, I am exceedingly pleased to hear you say so! It will be a consolation to masters of it sometimes take twentyto me to know that I have done some good

"I hope that will not be your only "Be that as it may, you will find all the documents you require for your agency. as also the amount for the purchase of your professional practice, at the office of my lawyer, in the Rue des Serruriers. I shall leave Strasburg immediately. You propriate term of a holiday in Warhave a very fine cathedral, I admit; but it is a horrid country and a rington, England, when children and

wretched people! Of course I do not allude to you personally-on the contrary, I wish you every prosperity, and a happy future to both yourself and your intended. I should have liked to offer her a wedding present—this bracelet, for instance; but unfortunately I have had initials engraved on it. See! But I will get it exchanged;" and Carroll opened the casket.

Augustus Weiss, while looking at the ewel admiringly, suddenly uttered a cry of surprise. "Is it not a magnificent bracelet?" asked Carroll.

"Yes, yes; but what a coincidence!" "How?" "Why, 'C. H.' are the initials of my intended's name!" "Really?"

"Yes, assuredly-Caroline Helmstett-"What! Miss Caroline Helmstetter?" cried Carroll, as he made a prodigious effort to speak the name. "Is it Miss Caroline Helmstetter who is to be your

ceiver of taxes, No. 3, Rue des Serrur-"Yes, that is right. Do you know her, then?" "Do I not? Why, that is the young lady

"Miss Caroline, the daughter of the re-

to whom I have been paying my ad-"It can not be possible! We have been hunting over the same ground!" ex-

claimed Augustus.

"Or rather I have been hunting over your ground!" said Carroll. "And when I was instructing you in Strasburg German, I was actually putting words in the mouth of my rival!" said Weiss.

"And, as to myself, what else was I

doing when I bought the practice of a solicitor in your name?" asked Carroll. "Just so! And when I was encouraging you, and urging you to persevere with your suit, I was unquestionably working against my own interests!"

"And in appointing you my agent, I was destroying my best chance! I now understand how it was that we were never both satisfied at the same time. Truly we are the heroes of a ludicrous ro-

"Yes, but of one that will have the efteach you some Alsacian phrases that | fect of greatly altering the complexion of "Not at all, my dear friend-not at all! ly interfered with your projects; I am the

one who ought in honor to withdraw. The young lady loves you; marry her-become a solicitor, a land-agent, and father of a large family." "And you positively renounce her?" "I pledge you my word that I will never return to vex you. What I have said I will religiously adhere to. Good-bve!"

"And are you actually going to leave Strausburg?" "Sooner than ever! Stay-here is the racelet! Present it in my name to your petrothed, as my marriage gift."

"And shall we continue to be the same good friends?" "Yes," replied Carroll, as he finally and warmly pressed the hand of the young Alsacian; "and permit me to add the words you taught me on the occasion of our first meeting-'Auf immer!'-for

ever!"-Demorest's Monthly. LAWS OF FRANKLIN.

An American State Government Which Flourished a Century Ago. It is not a generally-known historical fact that from 1774 to 1784 territory now known as Tennessee formed a part of North Carolina, and that in 1785 the Tennesseeans, becoming dissatisfied with their government, organized a State Government under the name of "Franklin," which was maintained for some years. The State organized afterward disbanded, and Territorial Tennessee was again annexed to North Carolina. The following is lature of the State of Franklin. We

copy it as found in a speech by Daniel Webster on the currency of 1838: Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the the authority of the same, That from the 1st day of January, 1789, the salaries of the officers of this Commonwealth be as follows: His Excelency, the Governor, per annum 1.000 deer skins.

His Honor, the Chief Justice, per annum, 500 deer skins. The Secretary to His Excelency, the Governor, per annum, 500 raccoon skins. The treasurer to the State, 450 raccoon skins. Each county clerk, 30) beaver skins.

Clerk of House of Commons, 200 raccoon skins. Members of the Assembly, per diem, three Justices' fees for signing a warrant, one nuskrat skin.

To the constable for serving a warrant, on mink skin. Enacted into the law the 18th day of October. 788, under the great seal of the State.

-Pittsburgh Dispatch. New Household Motto. She was a girl who had been engaged two or three times. She had gone through all the trouble attendant on being interrupted by her little brother and sister and the old folks of embroidery of such a sacred and secret nature that she locked it up from all eyes, and only worked on it when she was quite alone. Frequentit was they could not discover. One evening when the girl and her beau Here." .- Shoe and Leather Review.

-One of the latest achievements in photographic development is said to simple apparatus, so arranged that it for use by persons who know nothing that is necessary is to point the instrument at the object that is to be photographed, press a button gently pear blue. with the finger, and the picture is

FOREIGN GOSSIP.

-Kerosene oil is responsible for nine-tenths of the fires that take place

-The Emperor of Austria is very fond of chamois shooting, and in that sport uses an old-fashioned muzzleloading gun.

-The great game of Japan is "Go." It is something like chess, and the four hours for a game.

-English girls are said to laugh at the idea of wearing stays while playing tennis. They mean business when they go into a court, and for the moment forget to worry about what sort of a figure they cut. -"Waiking Day" is the odd and ap-

numbers of the people take excursions to various points of interest. -Old Emperor William as Jupiter, Emperor Frederick as Mars, Empress Augusta as Juno and Empress Victoria as Minerva are four statues of sandstone which have been placed in niches above the grand entrance to the Royal

teachers march in procession, and large

Schloss in Berlin. -The Austrian Consul at Yokohama reports great difference in commercial morality between the merchants of China and Japan. The Japanese, he says, are neither enterprising nor upright, but the Chinamen are solid and trustworthy in every respect.

-A few years ago the Argentine Republic did not raise wheat enough for home consumption. Last year it exported 7,000,000 bushels. Immense tracts of pasture are being converted into farm land, and the country is becoming a great grain-growing region.

-English business men who have to send large quantities of mail matter to distant parts of the world find that they can save a great deal of money by sending their mail in bulk to Belgium and posting it there, the rates being so much cheaper. It is said that the saving to one firm alone by this course amounts to \$3,000 a year, and there is a loud demand for reform in

the British rates. -An elevator for canal-boats, as a substitute for five or six locks, is in successful operation at Arques, near St. Omer. France. The boats are lifted to the height of nearly fifty feet by the citizens are pupils. It is a powerdydraulic pressure, inclosed in a reser- ful educating influence, and of itself voir made of wrought-iron plates, and separated from the rest of the canal by iron gates. When the required height has been reached, the gates are opened and the boat is drawn out into

the main channel. -A British agent at Cettinje, Montetry, and that there is practically no It is I who have come and unintentional- industry, Montenegrins scorning any pursuit but that of arms. All the tailors, painters, carpenters, masons direct product of agriculture are imported, and are of the commonest description, except the green and white

cloth used for men's coats. -The English law carefully regulates the subject of the sailor's grog. Every ship must carry a quantity of lime or lemon juice as an antiscorbutic, containing fifteen per cent. of palatable fruit sirups, that is, sound rum of a specific gravity fixed by the statute or sound brandy of a quality similarly fixed. The Board of Trade tells how the grog shall be mixed. One ounce of the lime juice is to be mixed with one ounce of sugar and at least half a pint of water and must be served

out in time for dinner. -Maria Pia, Queen of Portugal, is a talented woman. She takes little interest in politics, preferring outdoor sports to the intrigues of statesmen. She is a clever horsewoman and loves the chase. She is also a good swimmer and always wears a medal which she gained ten or twelve years ago for saving the lives of her two children, who, falling into the sea at Cascaes, would have been drowned if their the product of the silk-worms' labor. mother had not jumped into the water That, of course, is only a possibility, and rescued them. She is a good and not a probability, but it is very pianist, sings fairly well, and is fond probable that artificial methods will of the theater. She is an artist in replace the tedious and expensive

sell well. DOING UP LACE-CURTAINS.

Valuable Suggestions on a Most Importan Once thoroughly understood this work is as easily accomplished as any simple washing. After taking the curtains down shake out the dust carefully, so as to avoid tearing the material; then spread them out on two lines near together, and brush them gently with a soft feather duster; this will remove all the dust that can be got off. Now water, to which two tablespoonfuls of ervoir through an exceedingly minute liquid ammonia has been added (this with one-half of one per cent. of comes put up in bottles ready for use, and is called, I think, household ammonia). Place the curtains in this water and allow them to remain some fifteen or twenty minutes, turning them over carefully every minute or two and squeezing with the hands. This process will loosen all the dirt, after which squeeze out as dry as possible, but be very, very careful lest the during the tete-a-tetes. For a long meshes of the lace be broken. Have Marigold's Prescriptions," one of the time she had been at work on a piece ready another tub containing water tales, "To Be Taken in Water," detains immediately in it, one at a time, | was traveling through France in charge

bluing may settle on the curtains. After scalding, take the curtains from the boiler and rinse thoroughly, but with a gentle hand, until all suds are out. Then wring or squeeze out and put through the bluing water; wring out from that and prepare to stretch and pin out smoothly, to the original length and width. This must be done while the curtains are wet, as the lace can not be stretched when dry. The whole process of washing, rinsing, scalding and drying should be done as quickly and thoroughly as possible, as no other cotton material shrinks so

easily.

Although many pin a clean sheet on to a carpet and pin the curtain on to the sheet while drying, I consider it a much better and easier way to keep on hand four strips of thin boards about three inches wide, made similar to quilting frames, with holes at suitable distances to increase or diminish the length and breadth to suit the size of the curtains. Have strong wooden pins put through the holes to fasten the frames strongly together; tack wide tape or selvage edges of cloth the whole length of the frame, then place them on chairs, so that they will stand firm and steady, out of doors on a still, bright, sunny day, and pin or baste the curtains to the tape, pulling out and

fastening every point in the lace. Before wetting the curtains measure the length and breadth and mark it on the frame on which they are to be dried. After washing, fasten at both ends first and then stretch to match the measure. Curtains thus stretched dry very quickly in the sun, and if well rinsed and free from soap several can be dried at the same time. Instead of tacking on the strips of cloth or tape, if small-sized galvanized hooks were used the work could be greatly facilitated, and the curtains be caught on to these hooks while drying. Curtains washed in the manner described look much better than when done at the laundry, and last a great deal longer, which is quite an object to be considered.-Portland Transcript.

EFFECT OF POLITICS.

Presidential Campaigns as Successful Na

A political campaign serves as great National university, where all serves to make the citizens of a republic more intelligent than the subjects of an absolute or monarchical government.

A sense of responsibility is perhaps the most powerful educating influence that can be brought to bear upon a negro, reports that there is only one human being. The responsibility of the suffrage has done as much for the town in Arizona have been flooding enlightenment of the American people the country with enticing circulars as any other element of our civilization. To a certain extent it devolves the policy of the Government upon the and other artisans are foreigners, and all goods except those which are the individual citizen, and, in a small way, to be sure makes every artisan and meto be sure, makes every artisan and mechanic a statesman. So the responsibility of casting a ballot involves a knowledge of political science, the fundamental principes of economic policy, lowing sketch: and a knowledge of the financial, industrial, and commercial condition of the country. The consideration of these subjects, their promiscuous discussion, and the controversies and arguments they arouse give to every one participating in them a general intelli-

A man can not take an interest in our political campaigns and remain long an ignorant man. A voter that considers the result of his ballot, and the bearing it may have on our National legislation and the moulding of our Governmental policy, must be an intelligent man. There should be no such thing as an ignorant voter .- Yankee

An Artificial Silk-Worm.

"It is by no means impossible," said

Paterson silk manufacturer, "that artificial silk may sometime replace water-color painting and her pictures means now employed to utilize the worms. It has for some time been known that worn-out silken fabrics can be utilized by putting them in a chemical bath which separates foreign substances from the silk itself, and saves the latter in a solution. This solution can be respun or used to plate other thread. Now, as I learn from France, Dr. Chardonne, of that country, has succeeded in making a purely artificial silk. He makes a solution of nitrocellulose, alcohol, ether, ferrous chloride and tannic acid, in nicely-calculated proportions, and runs it from a resmono-hydrated nitric acid. The fluid hardens in the water, and is dried in hot air. I is said that the thread can be readily dried, but I do not know what other valuable qualities it has." -N. Y. Mail and Express.

A Novelist's Arithmetic. In Dickens' Christmas number, "Dr. prepared as before, and place the cur- scribes the adventure of a clerk who allowing them to soak until all are of "a quarter of a million" in specie. washed. It will need three waters if He had it "in two iron boxes, inclosed ly they had tried to find out, but what the curtains are much soiled, but the in lether to look like samples." The water will decide this; should it be very French porters seem to have noticed much discolored, use different waters that the boxes were heavy, but man- he ships more bodies North on ice than were in the parlor, the mother, step- until the last from which they were aged them well enough, two porters to all the rest of the undertakers in town, ping softly along the passage toward taken looks clear. Ammonia in the each box. My copy of "Dr. Marigold" and his charges are quite low. He is you please. On the day after to-morrow you will meet me here at eight o'clock in terminated. This time it is quite finished the door, was brought to a standstill first two waters will be sufficient unhas a marginal annotation by an impamy brother-in-law." by an elegantly embroidered motto less the curtains are very gray and tient reader. "Bosh! A quarter of a "I think," said Mr. Hutchison, "I am curious to know how that has hanging on the wall. It read: "Cough smoky. Next, place them in a coarse million in gold coin would weigh up- wearily, "that I will have to leave for pillow-case and scald in clean soap- wards of two tons." The calculation the North to-morrow. I expect I had suds (not very strong), for a few min- does not seem to be quite accurate, better retire for the night. Will you utes. Use pure white soap, and let but it would weigh about one ton sev- have the porter awaken me at an early the water be only blood warm when enteen hundred weight, avoirdupois. hour?" be the production of an extremely they are first put in; allow them to A thief who got at the boxes is decome to a boiling heat, and then rinse scribed in the story as stopped in makcan not get out of order, and adapted thoroughly in two clear waters, the ing his way out of a window with a the way, if a centipede or tarantula last of which should be blued, and carpet-bag half full of sovereigns. The should crawl into bed with you and then starch in thin boiled starch which must be made very blue, as lace when scription of the bag that it must have the ceiling. I've got a remedy for hung up against the light does not ap- weighed five hundred pounds. One only seventy-five cents a bottle that The blood-warm water and starch should be strained, that no particle of should be strained, that no particle of Charles Dickens.—Notes and Queries you."—Texas Siftings.

PITH AND POINT. -if you want to find out a man's real disposition, take him when he's wet and hungry. If he is amiable then, dry him and fill him up, and yo have an angel.

-Never be afraid of criticism on ridicule; always remember that opposi-tion and calumny are often the brightest tribute that vice and folly can pay to virtue and wisdom. -R. B. Hayes.

-When his animal strikes a 2:20 gait, the turfman knows that he's on the road to wealth. But for the ordinary farmer at the county fair the road to wealth leads through the exit gate. -"Call for Ah Song." said an Aus-

tralian judge to the Hibernian court crier in a Chinese lawsuit. "Gentlemen!" shouted the crier to the spectators, "would one of yez favor His Honor with a song?" -Don't keep on hand too many cut and dried theories. A foot rule is a convenient thing for a carpenter to

carry about with him; but a man who

is always "sizing up" other people's opinions by a private rule of his own is apt to be a bore. -It is the habitual thought that frames itself into our life. It affects us even more than our intimate, social relations do. Our confidential friends have not so much to do in shaping our

lives as the thoughts have which we -Many a man seems readier to work almost anywhere else than in his own sphere. His proper and legitimate work he counts as drudgery, while there is a certain fascination to him in work which is not his appointed task. Yet, as a practical matter, the man who will not do his own work is not worth much in the doing of any body

else's work. -Some of the simplest things in life are the hardest to learn. Any man who knows how to think, realizes the fact that you can't by any possibility add two and two and make six, and yet hundreds of intelligent people work on the principle that they can secure a \$1,200 living out of \$900 in cash or its

equivalent. -Life consists not of a series of illustrious actions or elegant enjoyments; the greater part of our time passes in compliance with our necessities, in the performance of daily duties, in the removal of small inconveniences, in the procurement of petty pleasures, and we are well or ill at ease as the main stream of life glides on smoothy or is ruffled by small obstacles and frequent observations.

AN ARIZONA SANITARIUM.

Adventures of a Clergyman in a Southwestern Health Resort. Some of the property owners of a describing the place to be a perfect sanitarium. The circular also maintains that the state of society is cultnumber of people, mostly invalids from the North, have visited the place. and one of them who has returned alive, furnishes the basis of the fol-

The visitor, Rev. I. H. Hutchison, is somewhat of an invalid, rather timid, and much in need of rest and quiet. The day after his arrival at Dookville, that being the name of the place, he had a conversation with the landlord of the hotel.

our beautiful bracin' climate?" "I find it intensely hot." "Hot! Why, the thermometer is away down to a hundred. I reckon the reason you feel the heat so is be-

"Well, stranger, how do you like

cause you don't try any of my beer on ice. It only costs fifty cents a bottle." "I never drink," replied Mr. Hutchison; "but tell me, do you have as much dust all the year around?"

dusty, do you? If you feel the dust it is because you don't bathe often enough. It will only cost you a dollar a bath, you to pay extra for the towels, of course.

"Why, man alive, you dont call this

"What I need most is quiet. I came here to avoid all excitement. Good gracious! what is that?" "The boys at the saloon across the street are having a little fun. You had better come away from the window or some of them may shoot at

"My heart palpitates fearfully." "I'll tell you what you want. You need a good reliable pistol. Tve got a self-cocker I'll sell you for twenty dollars-dirt cheap." "No, I thank you." "It's all over now. I see them car-

row. We don't often have funerals at this season. It helps spread the small-"Small-pox!" "Yes, we have it every summer, but don't let that scare you. I can sell you a bottle of medicine for a dollar

rying two dead men into the drug

store. We will have funerals to-mor-

and a half that will make the smallpox run from you." "I am afraid I shall not like this climate." "You will get used to the climate,

but I hope you haven't got any thing to say against the people." "O, no; that was a very pleasant gentleman to whom you introduced me last night."

"Like him, do you?" "Yes, he was very polite. He said he was going to take me out riding some day." "As you say, he is a gentleman. He

is the leading undertaker. I reckon

"Certainly. We always charge fifty cents extra for that! Good-night. By